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Entrance of row cow's milk and obtained products into the dairies

Third quarter 2023

The total quantity of purchased cow's milk, by dairy farmers in the territory of Montenegro, in the third quarter of 2023 is 7 203 786 kg, and shows an increase of 12.2% compared to the same quarter of 2022.

The average milk fat content in the third quarter of 2023, compared to the third quarter of 2022, recorded a decrease of 6%, while the protein content was lower by 3.1%.

In the third quarter of 2023, compared to the same quarter of 2022, an increase in the production of: cheese (25.8%); cream (49.7%); traditional butter (9.9%); fermented milk products (22.1%); and other yellow-fat products (8.9%), while a decline was recorded in the production of drinking milk (by 1.8%).

Table 1. Cow's milk in the third quarter of 2023

Cow's milk/ kg	III Q 2023	Index
		$\frac{\text{III Q 2023}}{\text{III Q 2022}}$
Purchased cow's milk	7 203 786	112.2
Fat content, %	3.79	94.0
Protein content, %	3.17	96.9

Table 2. Dairy production in the third quarter of 2023

Dairy products from cow's milk/ kg	III Q 2023	$\frac{\text{III Q 2023}}{\text{III Q 2022}}$
Drinking milk	677 329	98.2
Cream	299 131	149.7
Fermented products	2 887 424	122.1
Traditional butter	47 742	109.9
Other yellow products	282	108.9
Cheese	477 821	125.8

METHODOLOGICAL NOTES

Legal basis

The survey is conducted on the basis of the Law on Official Statistics and Official Statistical System of Montenegro (Official Gazette of Montenegro No 18/12). The collected data is protected in accordance with the Law on Official Statistics and Official Statistical System of Montenegro (Article 34, 55, and 56).

Purpose and contents of survey

The survey collects the data about the entrance of cow's milk and manufactured products, with monthly periodicity data collecting. Data on total milk quantites collected from the farms, excluded import.

Reporting units

Reporting units are dairies in the territory of Montenegro.

Method and time of collection

Data are collected through reporting method. Administrative data control conducted with cooperation with Ministry of Agriculture and Rural development. The periodicity is monthly. Reporting units are obliged to send data to the Statistical Office – MONSTAT, up to 10th of the current month for the previous month (Monthly survey).

Definition

Definitions are in accordance with the regulations and Commission Decision No 97/80EC, Annex 1).

Data representativeness

Data are representative on the level of Montenegro.

Data are published according Statistical Release Calendar.

According to the Revision policy of the Statistical Office, the final data shall be published with the date defined by the Statistical Release Calendar.

When using the data, state:

"Data source: Statistical Office - MONSTAT"

More data, as well as detailed methodological notes can be found in the section: [Entrance of row cow's milk and obtained products into the dairies](#)

